

Shortening the Insertion Time for Materials Technologies— the 21st Century Metals Challenge

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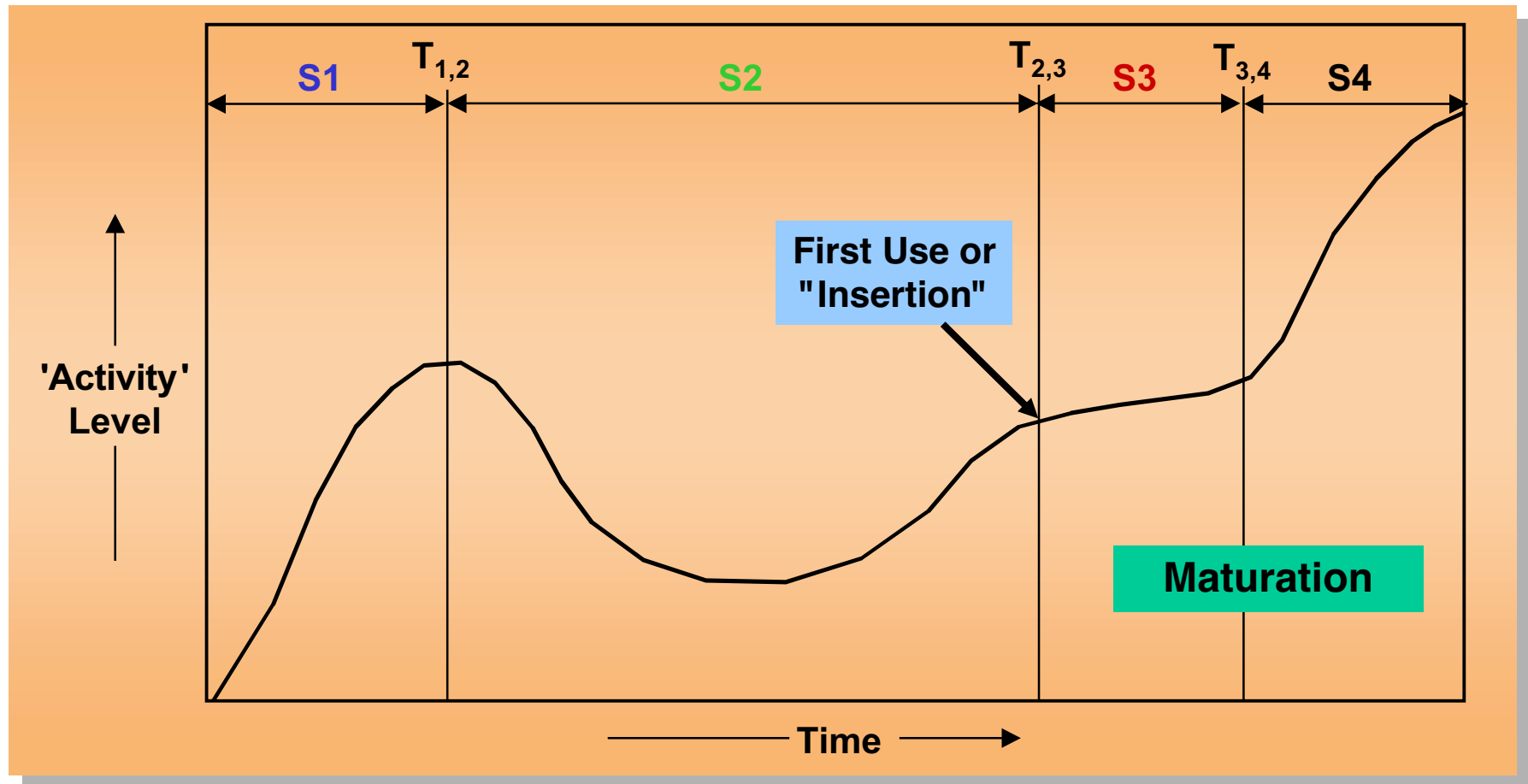
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Observation: Historical Aerospace Material Life Cycle



Stages

S1 = Revolutionary

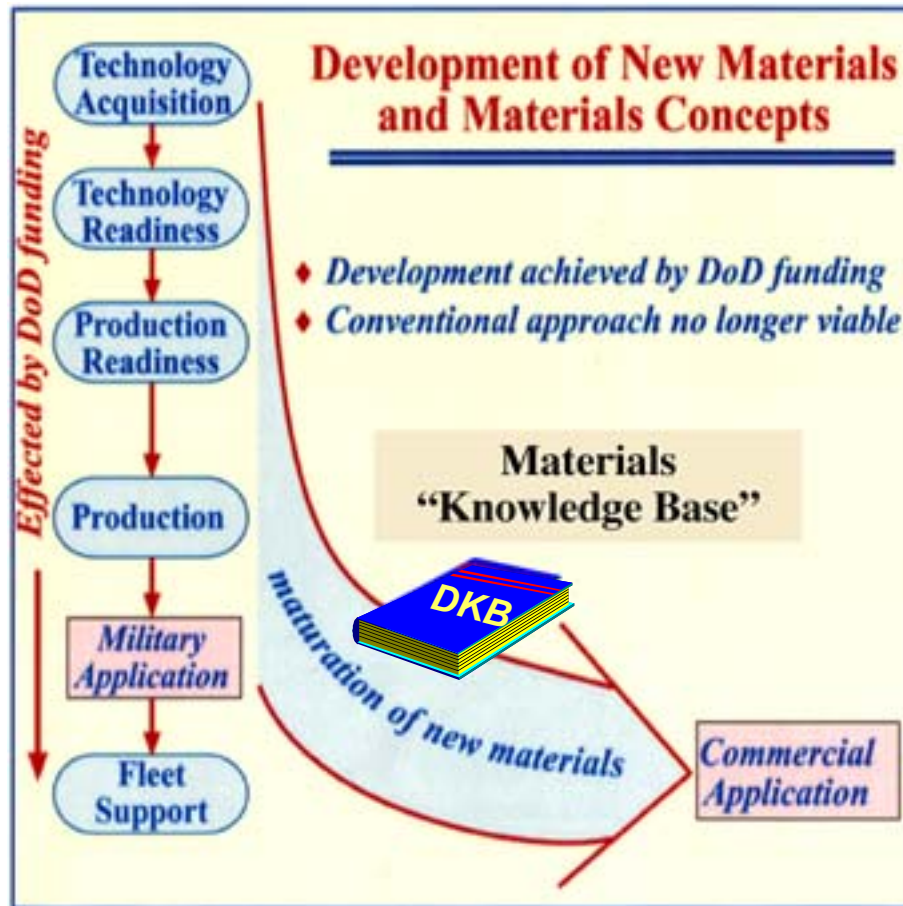
S2 = Emerging

S3 = Specialty Material

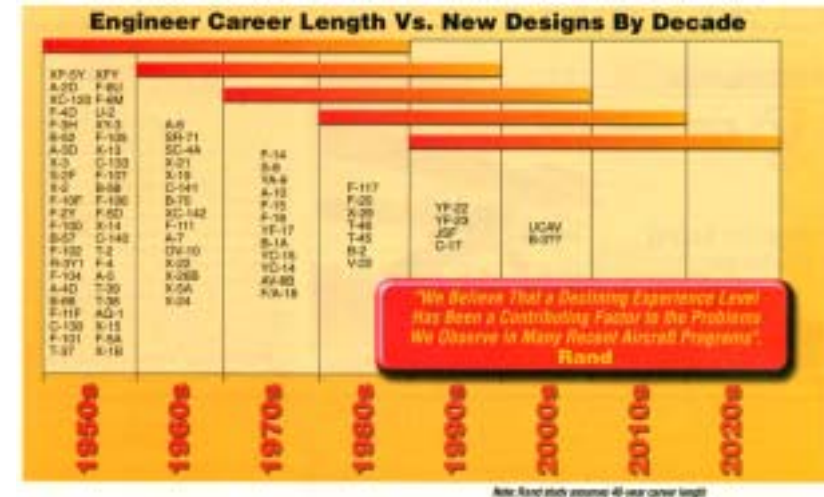
S4 = Commodity Material



Aerospace Structural Materials Development: How It Happened



Adapted from Fraser, 1998; Wax, 1999



- DoD materials **transition opportunities** (systems) have drastically **reduced**
- Material development time far exceeds the **modern short product cycle**
 - iterative, empirical development of "Knowledge Base" is lengthy, data intensive, and expensive

21st Century Reality Demands that the Paradigm Change!

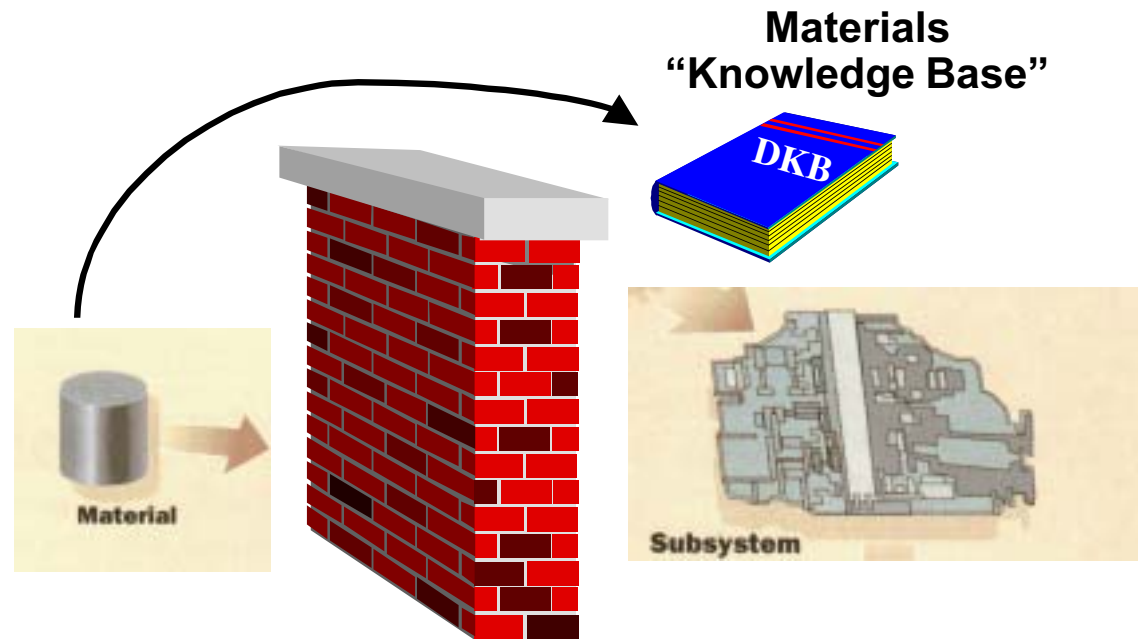


The Disconnect!



Major disconnect between materials development & components/systems engineering design

- Known alloy to reliable part **~36 months**
- Steels for navy landing gear **15+ yrs**
- Lightweight composites for army vehicles **15+ yrs**
- Gamma titanium aluminides **~30yrs and counting**
- Ceramics for engines - **30+++ ? yrs**
- Evolutionary alloy changes (ship steels, superalloys, etc) **~7-10 years**



Materials Development

- Highly Empirical
- Testing Independent of Use
- Existing Models Unlinked

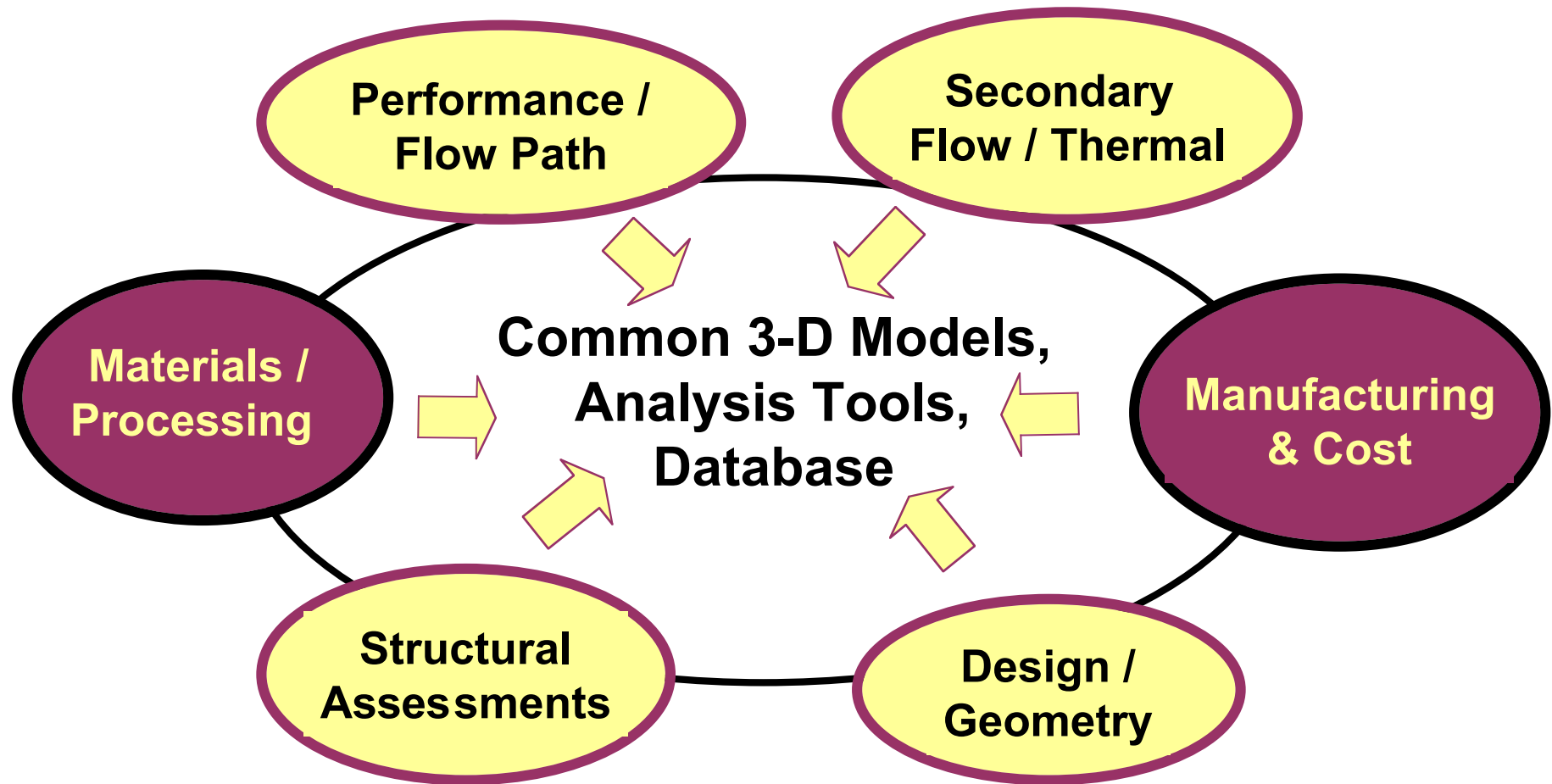
Engineering Design

- Materials Input from "Knowledge Base" of Data (Data Sheets, Graphs, Heuristics, Experience, etc.)
- System/Sub-System Design is Heavily Computational and Rapid
- Well Established Testing Protocols





Integrating Materials & Processes with Engine Design

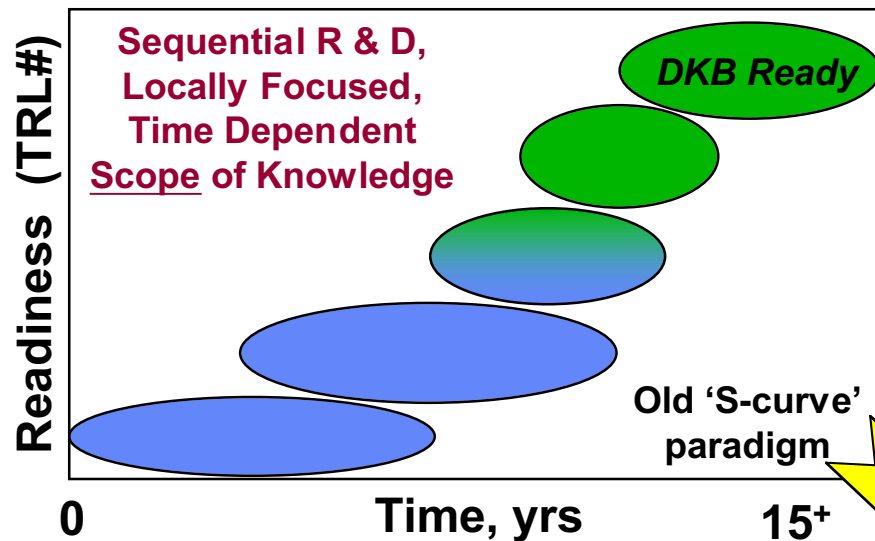


Design “development cycle”: <3 yrs

Materials & Process “cycle”: 7-20 yrs

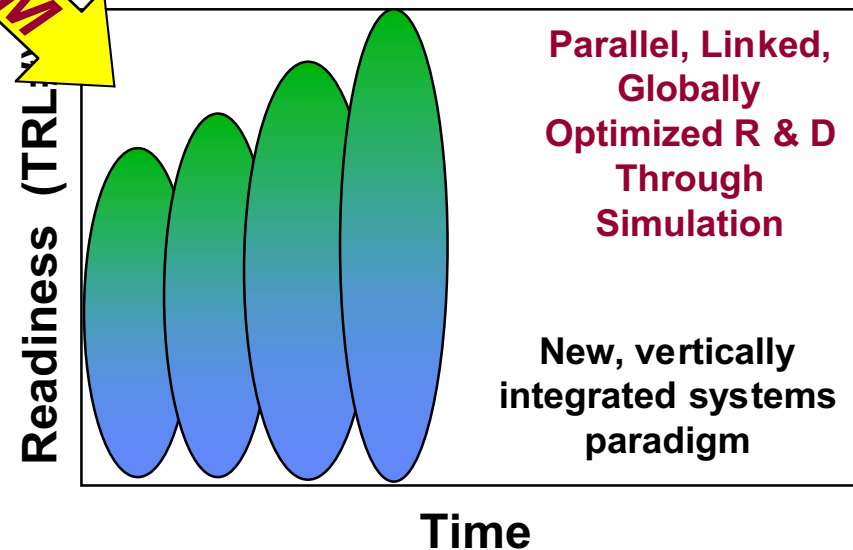


AIM Paradigm for Materials R & D



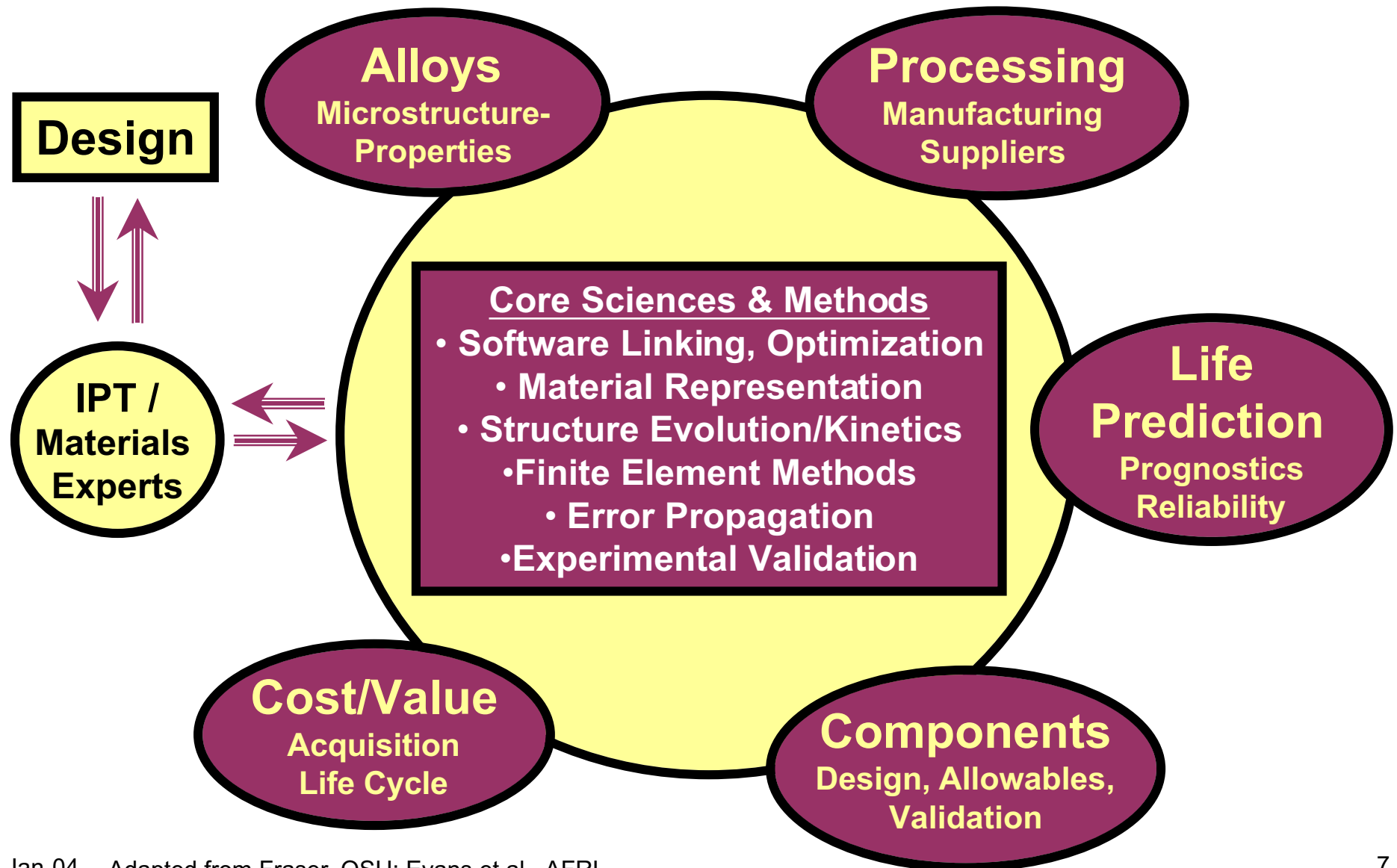
- Sequential M & P
- Optimized from heuristics
- “Designer Knowledge Base” NOT Ready Until Final Stages

- Building “Designer Knowledge Base” begins at outset
- Optimization based on design IPT need
- Time & effort refines quality of knowledge base, not its scope





Major Components of Designer Knowledge Base





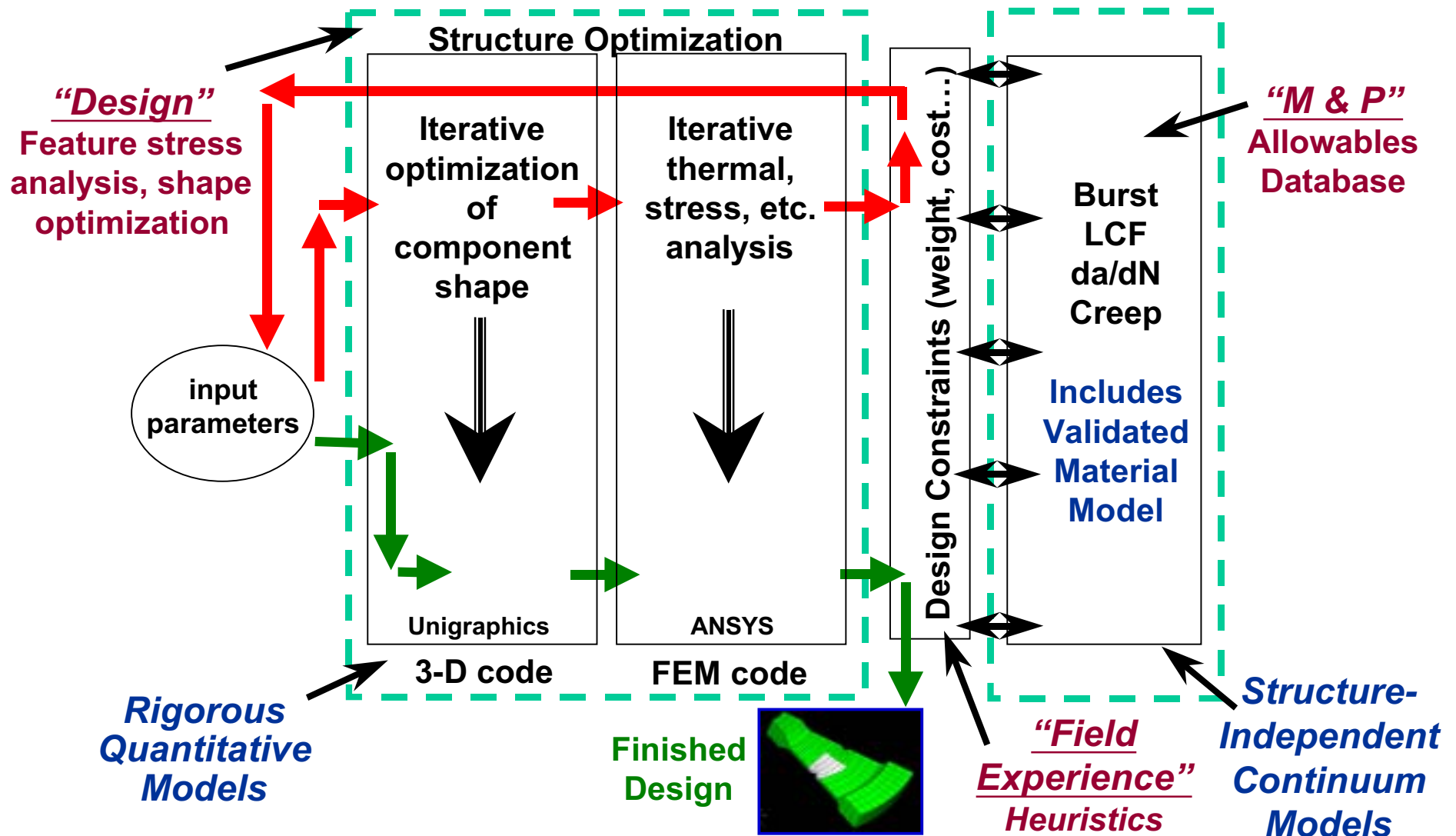
Guiding Constraints



- A key deliverable must be a validated representation of the material and process: *designers work with representations!*
- Structural materials design demands confidence in *control of time-dependent properties*, thus representations needed for
 - LCF, HCF, crack growth
 - creep, stress rupture
 - environmental degradation, stress corrosion
 - friction, wear, and fretting
- 'New material' demands *rapid, validated representations*—but how?
- Need *ubiquitous tools* for optimization:
 - a representation framework*
 - efficient validation*

‘Accelerated Insertion’ Rather Than ‘Materials by Design’

Modeling in the Component Design Process



"Field Experience" corrects for i) microstructure variation, ii) inaccurate analysis, & iii) incomplete understanding of service environment

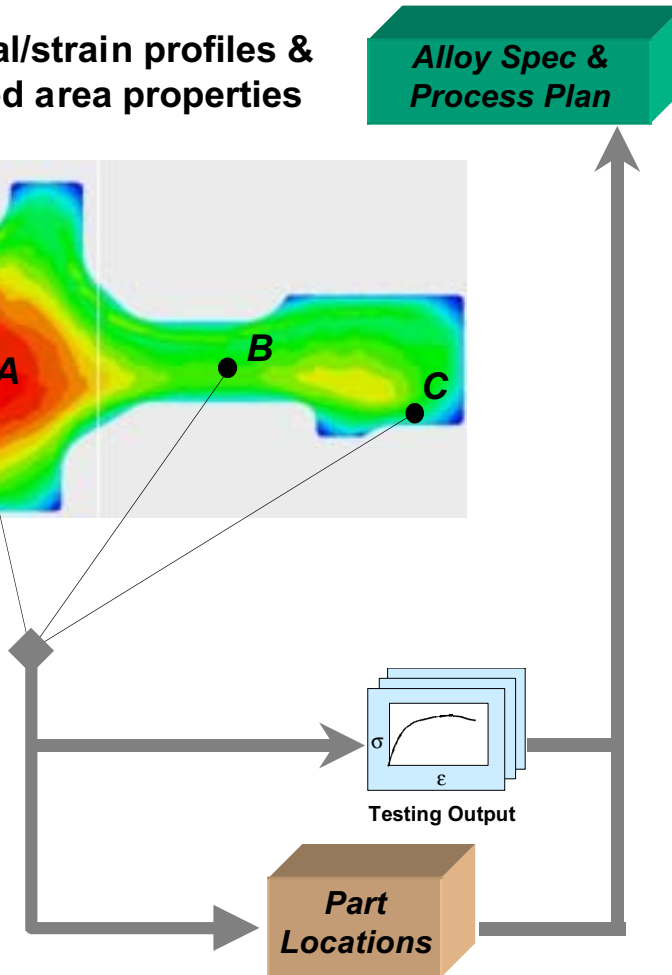
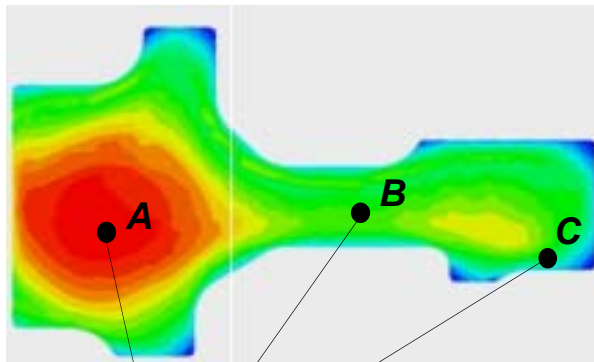


The Case of Ni-Alloy Engine Disks



Thermal/strain profiles & selected area properties

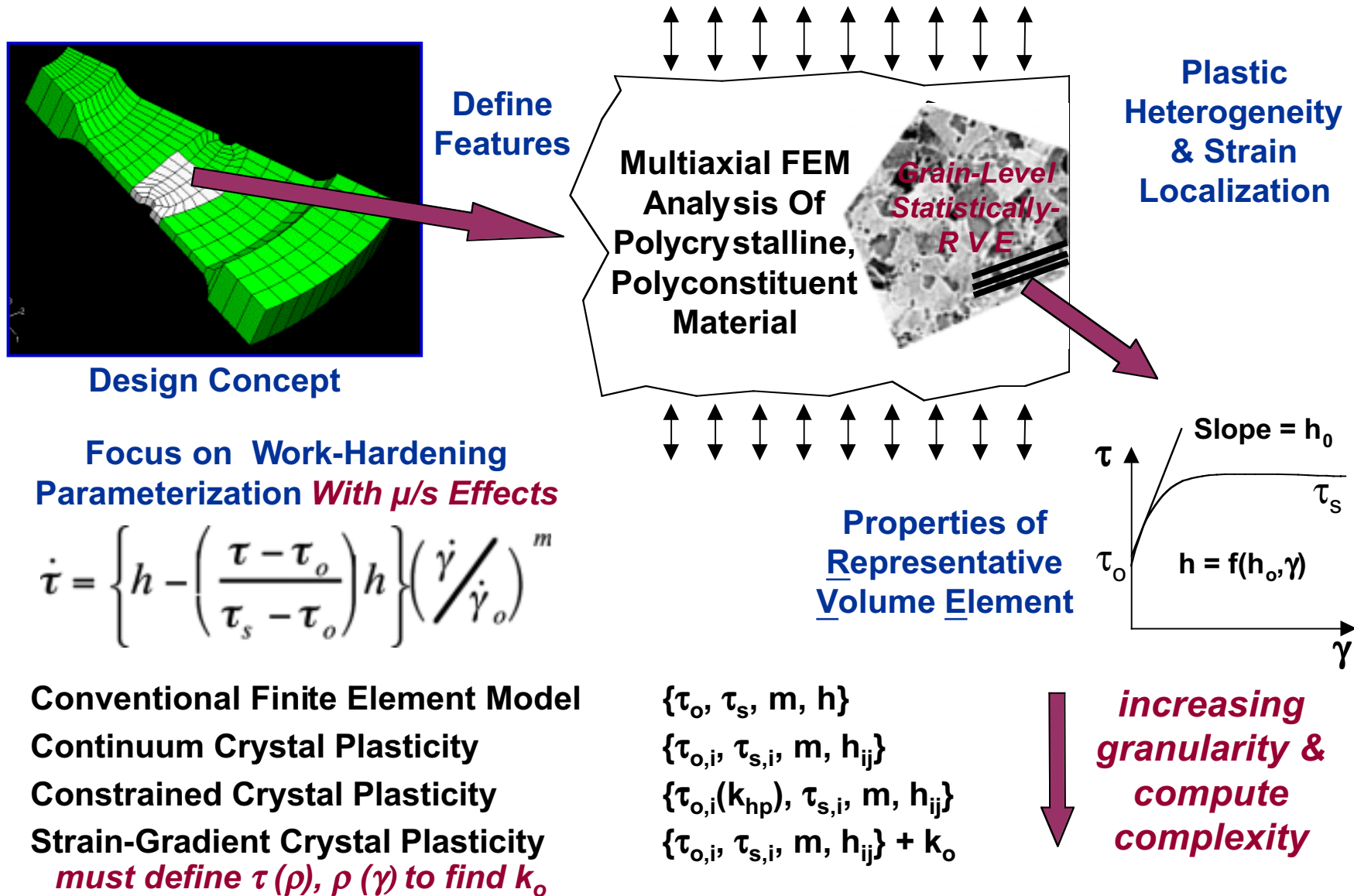
Alloy Spec & Process Plan



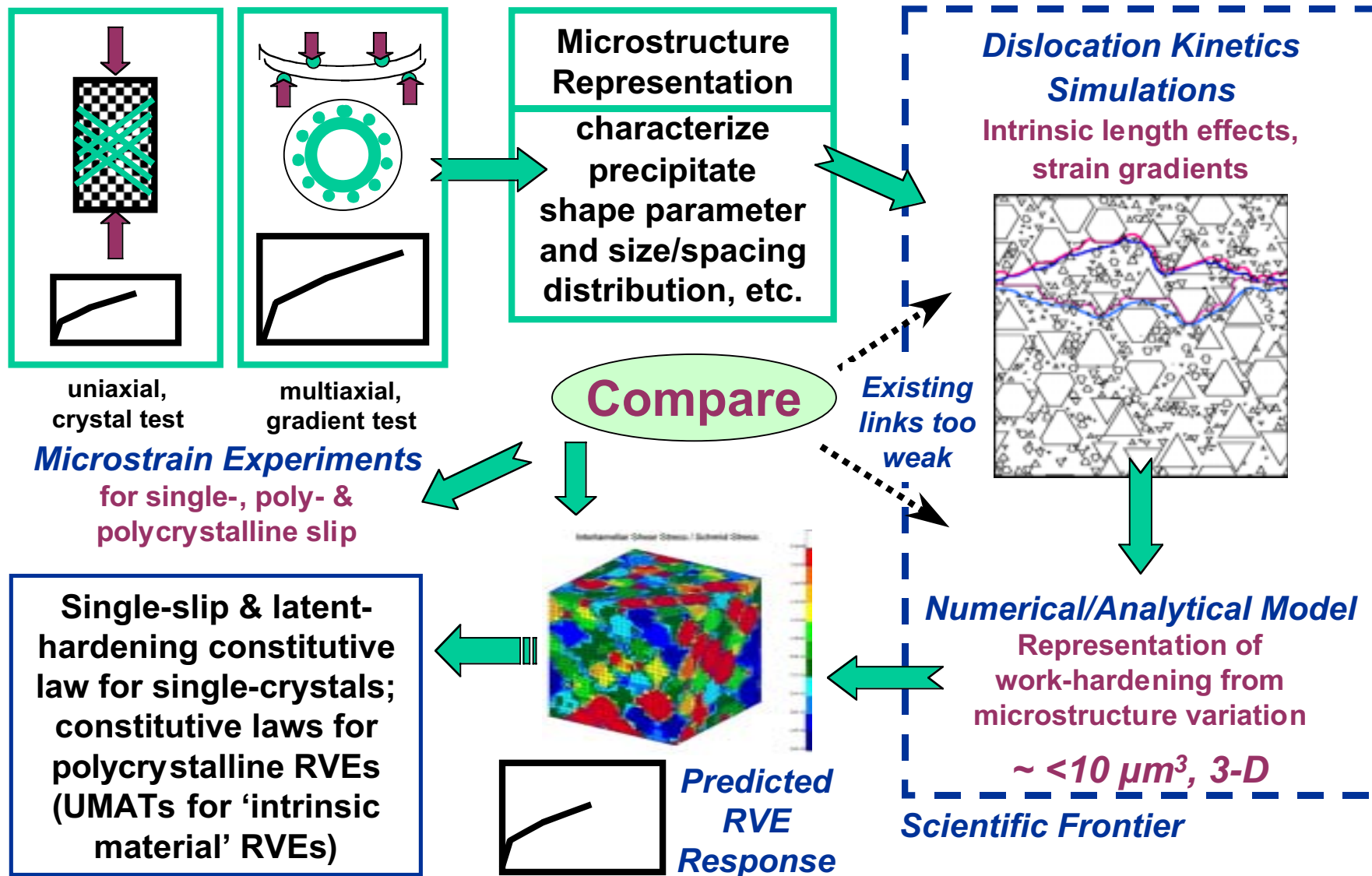
- Continuum codes (i.e., DEFORM) for thermal history and microstructure correlation over disk cross-section
- Cross-section may be "zoned" into a few regions (dual heat treat); *centimeter-scale homogenization*
- *Empirical* yield-strength models, & flow-curve 'templates,' used to assign constitutive response
- Variation of structure averaged out; *local microstructure - defect interactions not represented*
- *Data-intensive* and time-costly process for yield model and 'constitutive template' validation

Challenges to represent time-dependent failure; to introduce "new material"

The “Plasticity Engine” for Properties



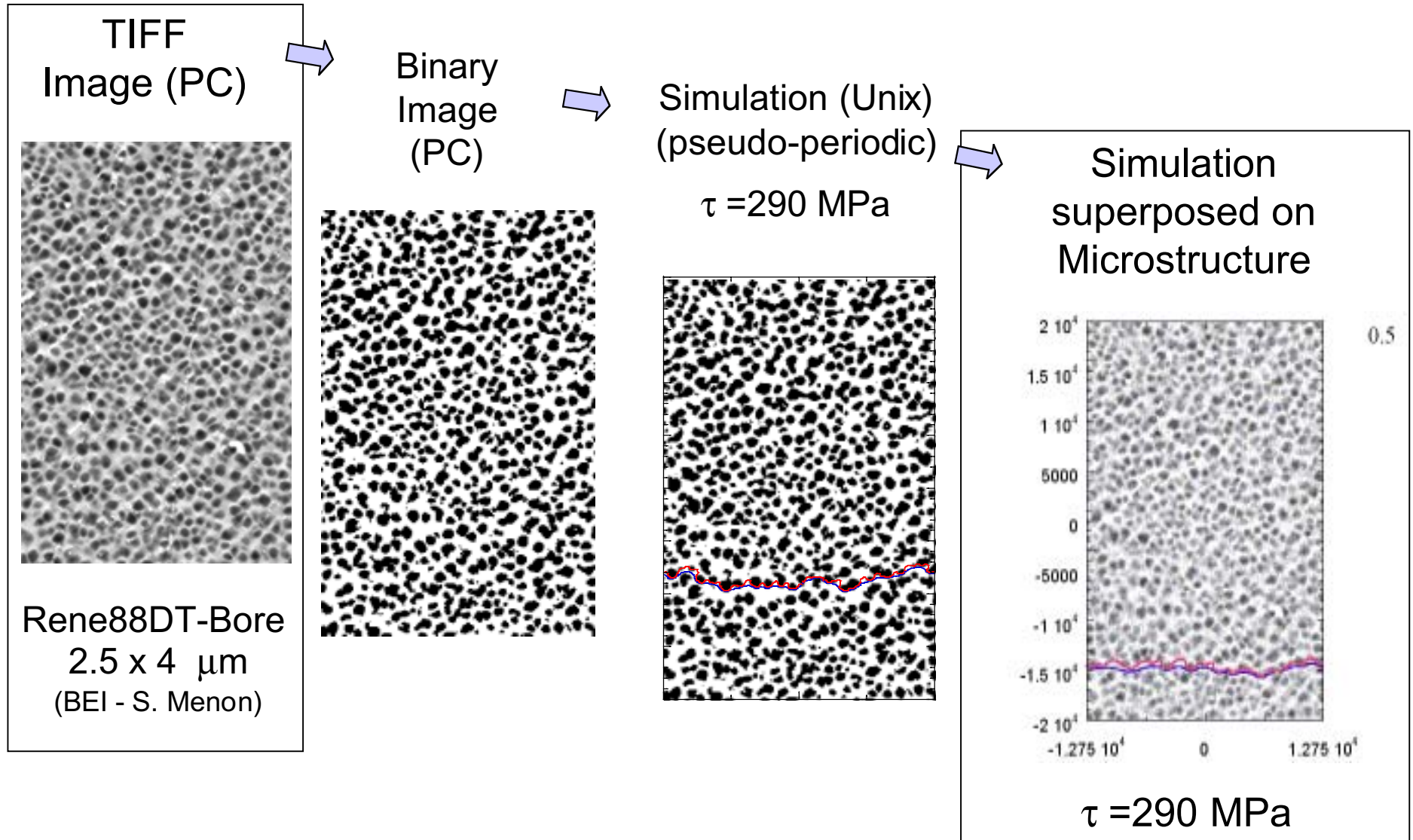
Build from Uni- / Multiaxial Slip & Work Hardening



Direct links: computationally challenging & underdeveloped



Real Microstructure in Simulations

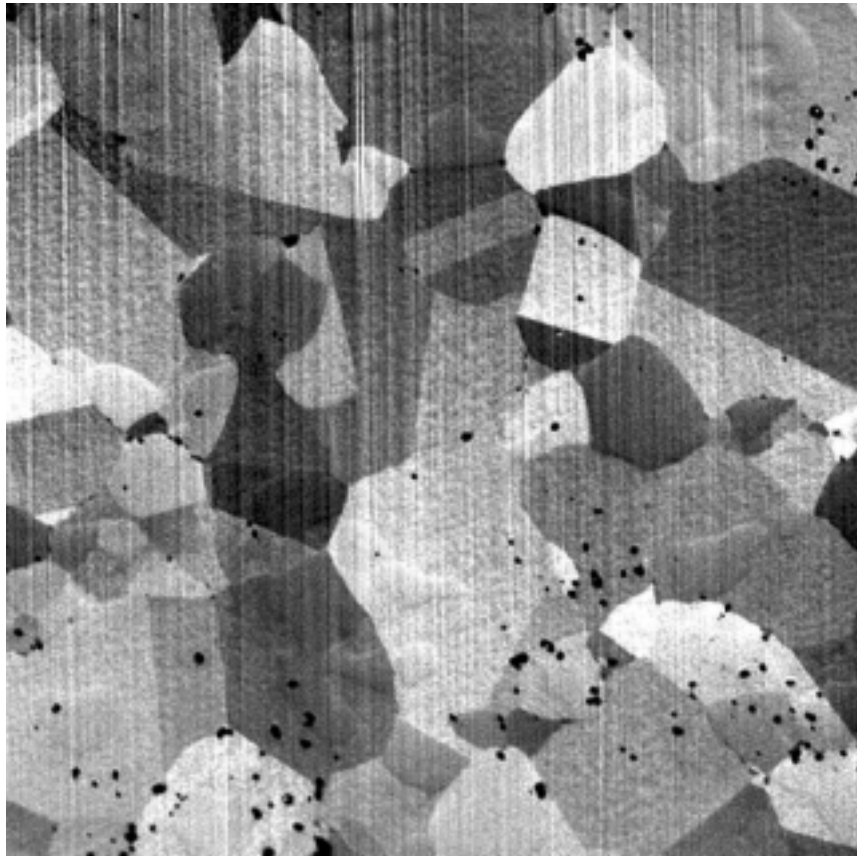




3-D Quantitative Microscopy

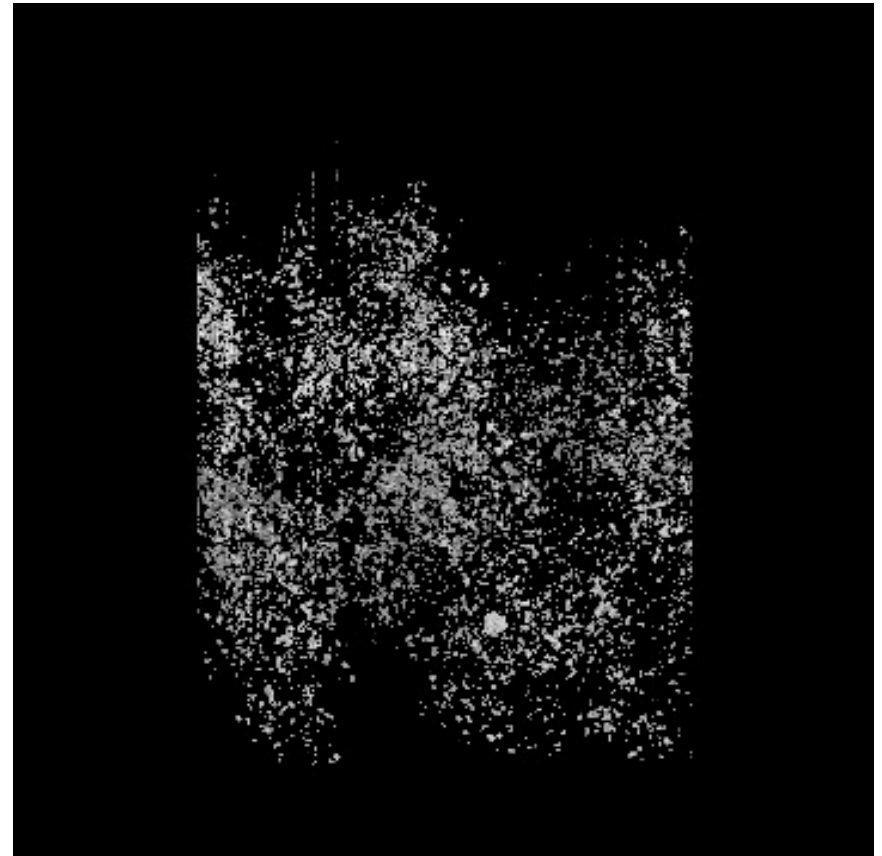


Serial Sectioning & Imaging



5 μm

3-D Rendering of Structure



IN-100 Ni-base Superalloy Grain Structure and Carbide/Boride Distribution

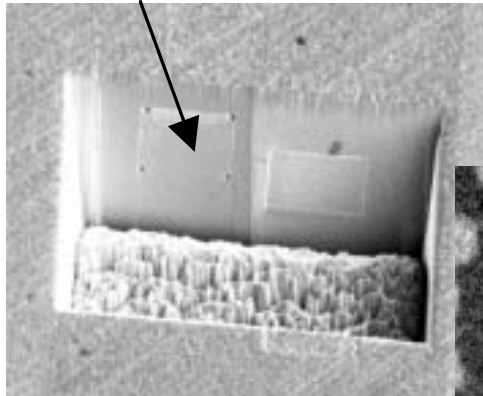


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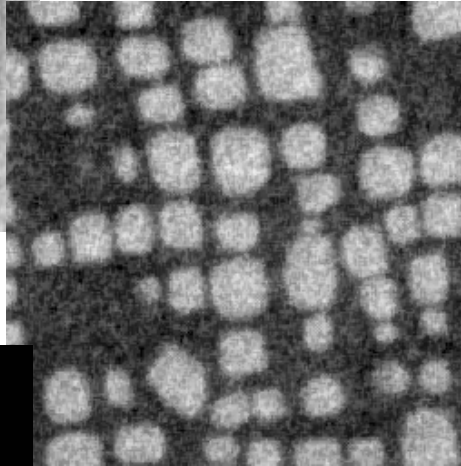


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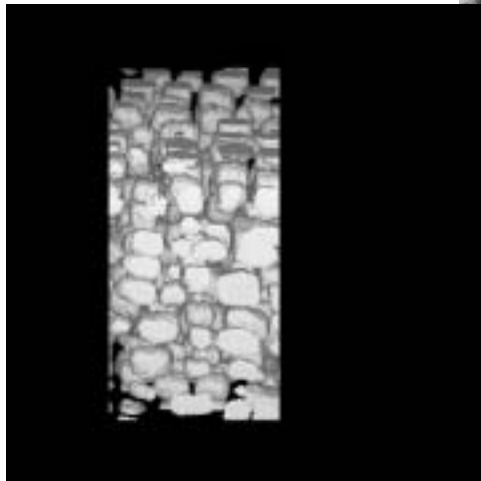
14 x 14 μm Image Area



Ni-Cr-Al Superalloy



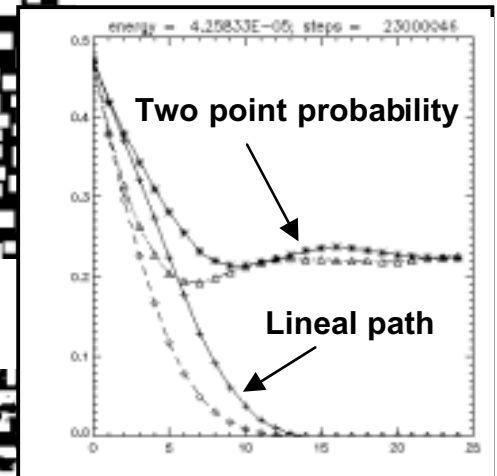
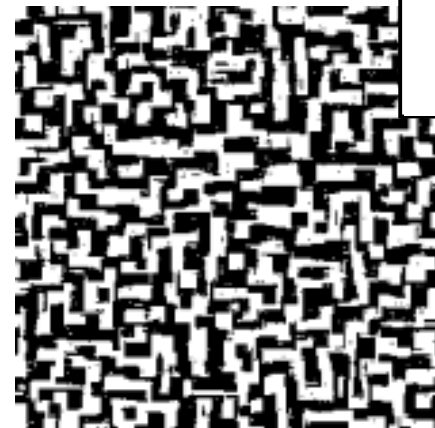
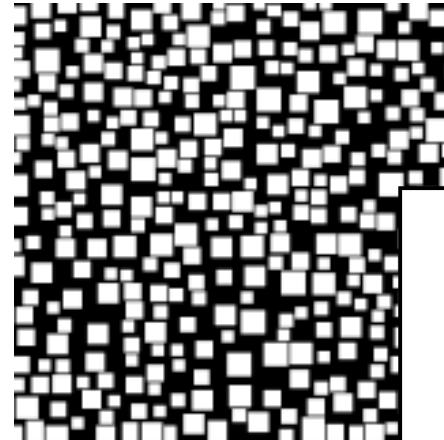
Aligned stack
(~20 nm
spacing)



Rendered 3-D
volume
(~3 μm thick)

Mathematical Representation

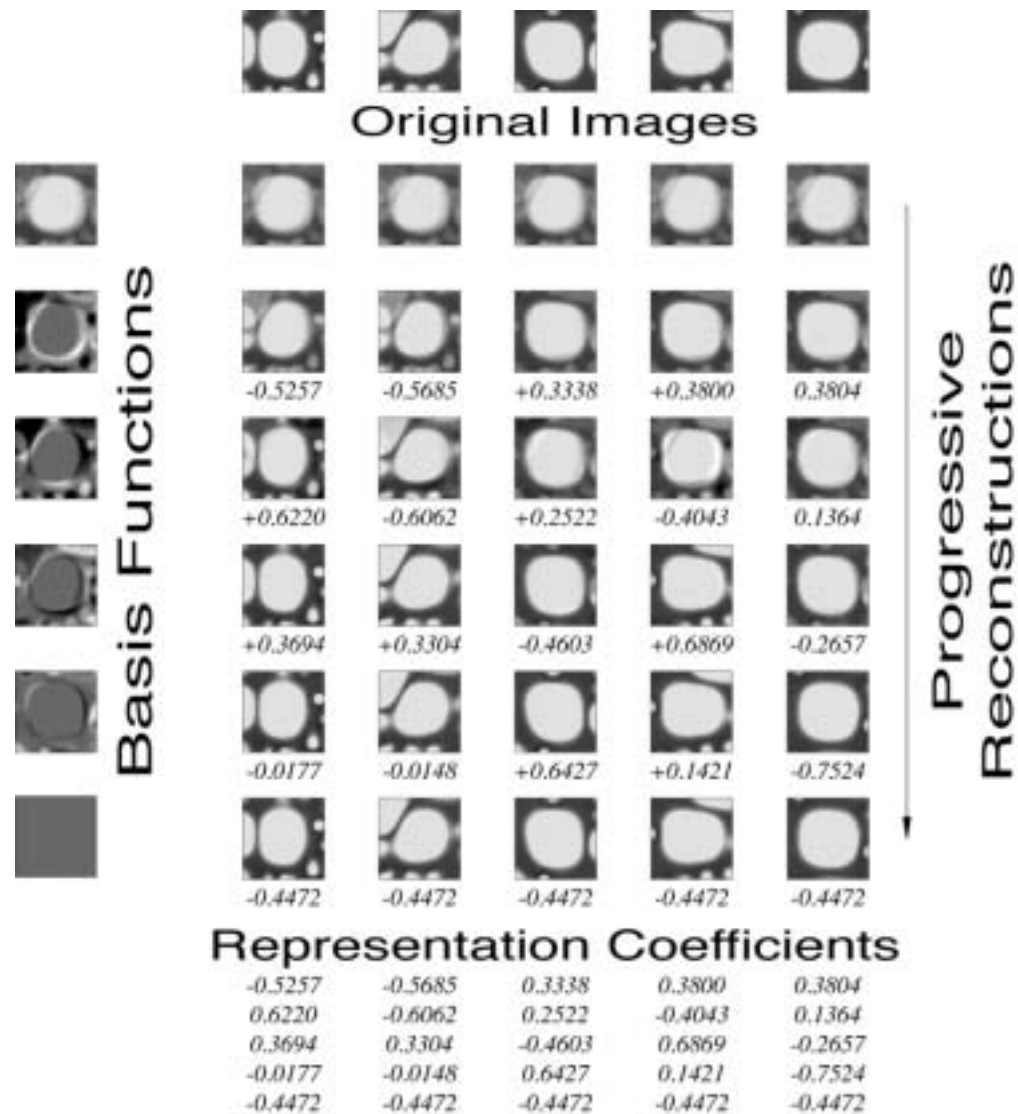
Idealized Microstructure



Monte Carlo
Reconstructed
Representative
Microstructure



Principal Component Analysis of Microstructure

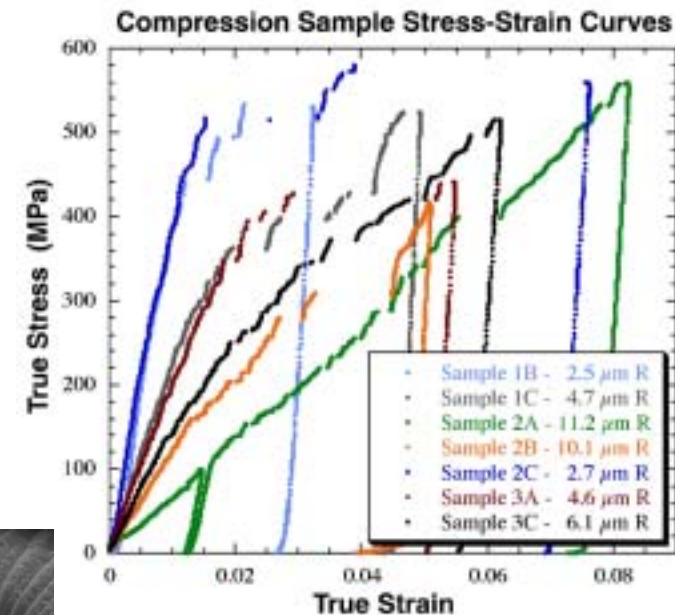
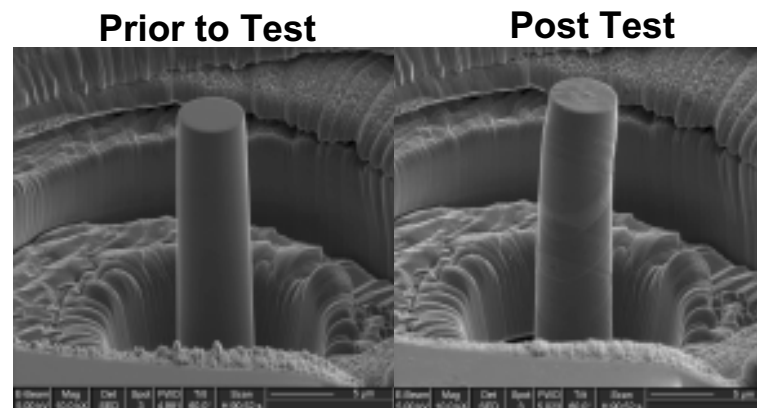
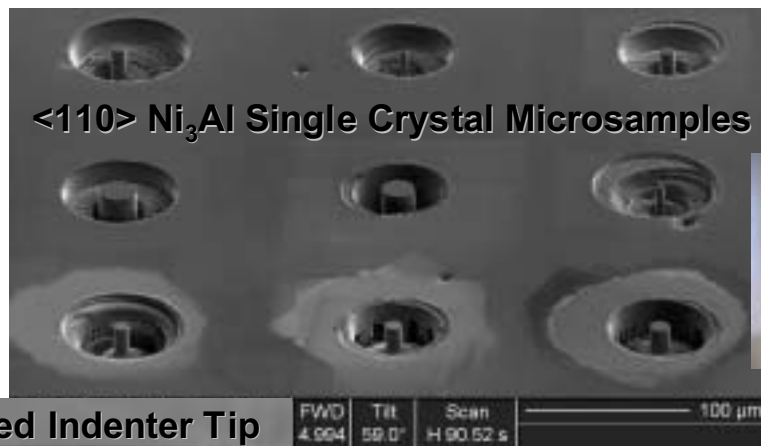




Mechanical Testing of Ultra-Small Samples for Crystal Properties



- Focus efforts on linking simulation to design
- Small-scale properties measurement for constitutive representations
- Theory for broad understanding of deformation at small scales

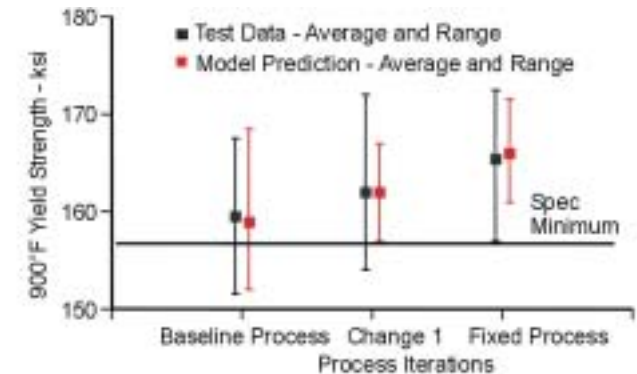
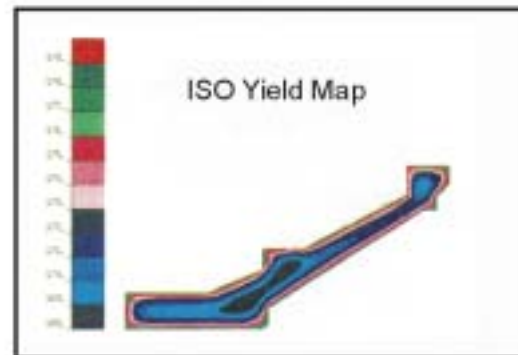
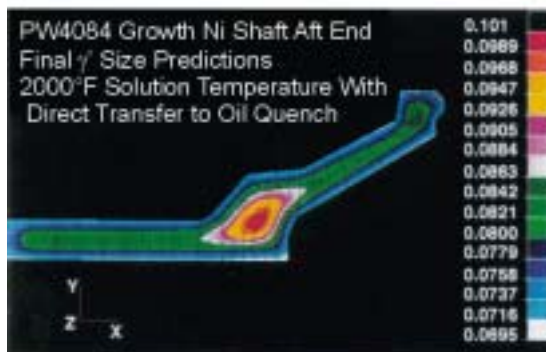




Even Simple Models Have a Big Impact



- Integrated structure-property-process models successfully applied as point solutions
 - statistically fit data to mechanistic-based property model
 - focused experiments to model microstructural evolution
 - accurate estimate of *mean* behavior



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Shaft design:

- 1/4 development time
- 80% reduction in cost

Experience shows concept is sound, projected payoffs reasonable



Eventually Must Address Full Breadth of Component Requirements

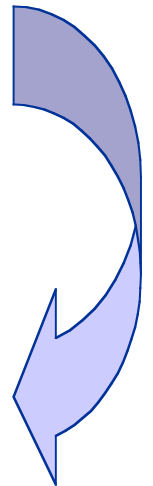


Requirements for Turbine Engine Disks:

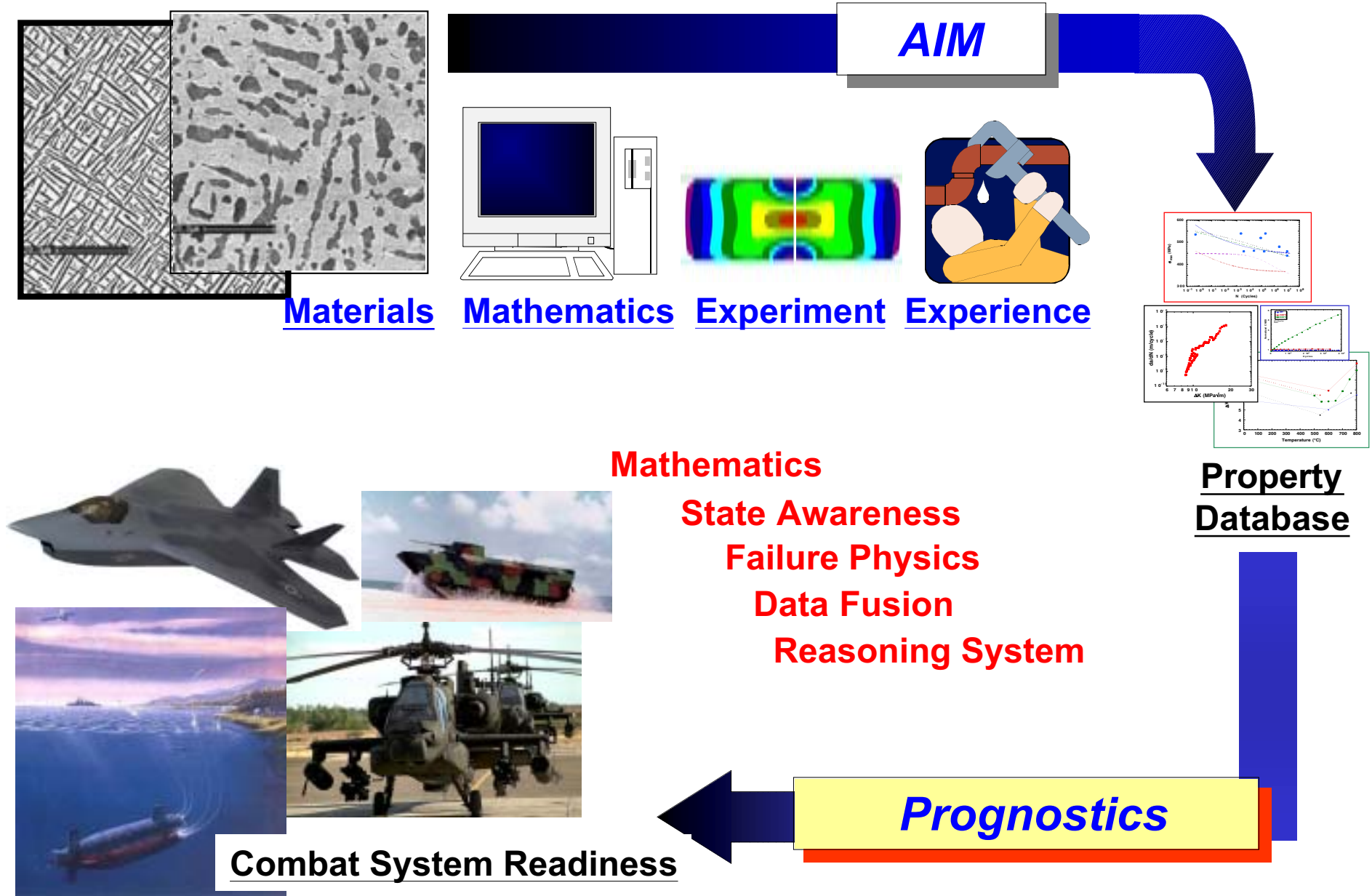
- **Ultimate Tensile Strength**
- **0.2 % Yield Strength**
- **Tensile Ductilities**
- **Notch Strength**
- **Burst Margin** **DARPA - AIM**
- **Creep**
- **Rupture**
- **Rupture Ductilities**
- **Continuous Cycling LCF**
- **Hold Time LCF**
- **Continuous Cycling Crack Growth**
- **Hold Time Crack Growth**
- **Superplasticity**
- **Flow Stresses**
- **Abnormal Grain Growth Resistance**
- **Gamma Prime Solvus**
- **Carbide(s) Solvus**
- **Density**



- **TIP**
 - **Structural Stability**
 - **Exposed Behavior**
 - **Defect Sensitivity**
 - **Defect Content**
 - **Grain Size**
 - **Gamma Prime Size**
 - **Segregation /Effects**
 - **Inspectibility**
 - **Quench Crack Resistance**
 - **Multi-source Capability**
 - **Low Costs--Elemental and Processing**
 - **Weldability**
 - **Machinability**
 - **Machined Surface Behavior**
 - **Residual Stresses**
 - **Cost Reduction Potential**
 - **Size/Volume Scaling Effects**
- The Issues That Often Determine Success or Failure*



Materials & System Readiness





Summary



- The **time** for structural materials development and use must be shortened (time focus, not cost focus)
- Industrial M & P community demanding a quantum-leap in **relevant engineering simulation** capability
- **Accelerated Insertion of Materials** is the long-term, strategically-relevant, computational materials science & engineering vision
- Materials Science & Engineering community must produce **integrated predictive tools**
- Accelerated insertion demands **integration of engineering design with M & P** to achieve true systems engineering of materials technologies